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**The Daily Press.**

HONGKONG, JANUARY 14th, 1907.

MR. KENNETH BEATON, who writes an article upon "Great Britain in North China" in the *Empire Review*, may certainly be congratulated upon the faculty of being thankful for small mercies. He sees signs of the preponderating influence of Great Britain in the North of China which might escape the notice of less sanguine observers, but which seem to form a consolation to him for all the adverse circumstances that are dwelt upon by the "pessimists" for whom he evinces a salutary contempt. He starts off with the assertion that "the influence and position of Great Britain in North China offer a striking illustration of that moral ascendancy which she acquires even in countries which are not subject to her rule"—and he proceeds to illustrate this comforting, if somewhat magniloquent, proposition by noting that the British is the most imposing Legation in Peking; that in Tientsin the leading shops, hotels and only Theatre are British; that the Band where the steamers moor is British; that there is a British Race Course eight miles from Peking, where a meeting is held twice a year. This last seems particularly to arrest Mr. BEATON's attention as an illustration of the "moral ascendancy" which Great Britain acquires even in countries which are not subject to her rule—and he waxes really enthusiastic at this point and declares "one cannot imagine the programme being printed in any language but English"—and there too—"the artificial skating rink—though the best performers come from countries where winter is more severe than

ours—has been made what it is under the skillful supervision of our officers of the Royal Engineers." This is indeed gratifying. At this point of his enthusiasm Mr. BEATON seems to have had some slight misgivings, and observes "these are small matters perhaps, but they are not without significance." They are certainly small matters and as certainly they have some significance—but that significance is not precisely the "moral ascendancy" which Great Britain acquires even in countries which are not under her rule, but the somewhat prosaic fact that the British merchants in the North of China are the richest and the most numerous, and that consequently public works, buildings and social institutions, naturally have a British complexion.

We are afraid that few people in this colony will follow Mr. BEATON in his happy belief grounded upon data of the above description that "our countrymen stand out among the men of other countries for all those qualities that make a nation great"—and that "the position of Great Britain is one of striking ascendancy." One may admire his patriotism, but there is a patriotism that is, after all, only a kind of glorified parochialism—and when it takes the form of a delight in a few buildings and a race card in the English language, it does not appear as a very great or noble feeling; and it is apt to blind those who are influenced by it to facts of very much more significance. Those who have had occasion to watch the course of political events in China and to judge of the position held by Great Britain in the country will scarcely adopt Mr. BEATON's rose coloured views, as to our great ascendancy in China. Time was undoubtedly when Great Britain did hold such a position—and when *Tai-Ying-Kuo* was considered as the greatest nation with whom China had to deal, and the one upon which she could but rely, but there are few who are acquainted with what has been going on diplomatically at Peking of late years, who would maintain that British influence has not been largely on the wane. Russia and Japan for many years past have been looked upon by the Chinese officials as the two Powers who had most to be considered in any question that might arise; while American influence at the capital has been known to have been all potent upon many occasions when British views alone would in former days have been considered. If we judge of the matter from actual incidents it is in disputable that our influence with the Chinese is far less than it was formerly, and that the *Barriar Minister* has not by any means the power he had in the settlement of any international questions that may arise. It is idle, in the face of such undoubted facts, to rub our hands and warm ourselves in self-consoling congratulations, because there is a comfortable British Hotel in Tientsin and a typical Race Course near the Chinese Capital.

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The *Gazette* notifies that memorials of re-entry by the Government of Lots Nos. 171, 172, 291, 292, 293, and 353 in Surrey district four, New Kowloon, have been registered according to law.  
The receipts into the Treasury between January 1st and October 31st, 1906, total \$31,648,856.33, while the payments out amount to \$28,702,446.54, leaving a balance of receipts over payments of \$2,946,410.79.  
The extract of meteorological observations made at the Hongkong Observatory during the month of December shows that the average maximum temperature of the month was 83.9, and the minimum 59.6 deg., while the rainfall was '660 inches.  
The Treasurer's statement of the Colony's assets and liabilities on October 31st, 1906, shows the total liabilities on that date to have been \$734,503.52, while the assets were \$1,043,441.54, the balance on the credit side being \$308,941.12.  
A meeting of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace will be held at the Magistracy at 2.15 p.m. on Tuesday, 22nd inst., to consider an application from Patrick Roberts to sell by retail intoxicating liquors at the Western Hotel, 99 and 92 Queen's Road West.  
At Kowloon Point last week the steam launch *Yu Sang* collided with a cargo boat causing damage, it is said, to the extent of over \$150. The cargo boat sank a few minutes after the collision, but her crew were saved by those on board the launch.

On Friday the body of an unknown coolie was found in a stream near the Wongchoong reservoir. It bore no marks of violence, and the police assume that it was the body of a person who had committed suicide by drowning.

Water drinkers may have no fear of the contamination of the water, as the stream in which the coolie was found flows out of the reservoir.

Mr. R. Mitchell, acting manager at Kowloon of the Dock Co., left by the English mail on Saturday for a short holiday at home.

A notice in the *Gazette*, which augurs the augmentation of our fire fighting appliances, will be read with pleasure. The Government are inviting tenders until the 30th inst. for the construction of the hull and fittings of a floating fire engine of the following dimensions:—Length over all, 68 feet; length of keel, 65 feet; breadth, extreme, 14 feet; depth, moulded, 7 feet.

The return of stamp revenue for the year 1906 shows a total decrease of \$14,940.07. The only items showing increases are, impressed stamps, \$4,105.82, and bills of health \$1,011.95. The undiminished decrease, as compared with the year 1905, occur on the following items:—Bank note duty, \$17,313.65; embossed stamps, \$38,564.25; telegraph forms, \$5.25; emigration fees, \$125; medical declarations, \$10; and medical registration, \$70.

The report of the official who was sent to investigate the poaching of seals by Japanese in the Pribyloff Islands has been issued. After relating the circumstances of the dispute in which several Japanese were killed, the official says that the Japanese fleet took several thousands of seals last summer in United States waters surrounding the Pribyloff Islands, and that the herd is being rapidly reduced. It now numbers not more than 150,000 seals, instead of from four to seven millions as formerly.

## POLICE COURT.

Saturday, January 12th.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELAND (First Police Magistrate).

## HOUSEBREAKING.

During the early hours of Saturday morning, two robbers forced an entrance into the house of a farmer at Kowloon City and gathered together goods to the value of \$450. Included in these goods was a blanket which they had dexterously removed from the bed of the sleeping farmer without waking him. The cold, however, soon brought him to his senses, and jumping out of bed just as the robbers were about to leave his premises he captured them and handed them over to Inspector Cameron, by whom they were charged.

His Worship sentenced the defendants to six weeks' imprisonment and four hours' stocks.

## DISORDERLY.

On a watchman, found considerable amusement in dropping crackers behind pedestrians at West Point on Friday night. Constable Parr, however, did not approve of the practice and when he arrested U. that worthy was as startled as some of his victims had been. When charged before his Worship with behaving in a disorderly manner a fine of \$5 was imposed.

## LARCENY.

A matchbox builder was charged with the larceny of 300 pieces of China pine valued at \$750 from the reclamation works at Black-head's Point, Kowloon.

It appears that defendant had supervised the disposal of this pine at the works, but was overcome by temptation at the chance offered of stealing it. Hiring a junk he reshipped the wood and sailed away to Cheung-chau Island, where he was arrested by the Water Police.

Verdict: Four months' hard labour and four hours' stocks.

**ALLEGED MURDER.**  
The coolie who was sentenced to six months' imprisonment and four hours' stocks on a charge of burglary at Kowloon-long died in the Civil Hospital on Friday; it is alleged from inquiries indicated by the brother, whose house he entered. As a result of his death the two men, Wong Yau and Wong Mak, were arrested and arraigned on the charge of manslaughter. The evidence of the brothers showed that when deceased escaped from their house and pursued him, he rushed along a narrow path and fell heavily down a flight of steps. Thus he was captured, and although some force was necessary to prevent his escape, the defendants did not assault him.

Accused were acquitted.

## THE KING'S SPEECH.

The King's speech proroguing Parliament stated that Britain's relationship with foreign countries continues to be friendly. The Amir's forthcoming visit of friendship to the Viceroy of India is gratifying, and an indication that amicable relations with the Amir continue.

My Government regrets that notwithstanding the projected consideration given to the discussion on the improvement of Primary and Secondary Education, no settlement of the difficulty has been arrived at. The speech alludes to the marriage of the King's niece to the King Alfonso, and their merciful preservation from the outrage perpetrated upon them recently.

The visit of King Haakon and Queen Maud cannot fail to promote friendly relations between Norway and Britain.

"There has been a distinct improvement in the condition of Crete, and the Powers are giving close attention to reforms now being introduced gradually in Macedonia." Special mention is made of the conclusion of the Abyssinian and New Hebrides agreements; and it is stated that satisfactory arrangements have been made with Germany and France respectively, to delimit the frontiers in the Told region.

"There has been a satisfactory settlement of the Congo and Sudanese questions, and also of the boundaries dispute in Eastern Egypt. The speech trusts that in the coming year a new form of Government will come into full operation in the Transvaal and Orange River Colony, which will exert a powerful influence towards securing peace and prosperity in both colonies, and unity and strength in my possessions in South Africa." "I am happy to say Ireland continues in a tranquil state. The general improvement in the condition of the country makes the failure of the potato crop less grave than would have been the case in former times."

## TELEGRAMS.

[REUTERS' SERVICE.]

## HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

LONDON, January 10th.

Sir Mathew Nathan has been gazetted a Brevet Lieutenant Colonel for distinguished services of an exceptional nature, other than in the field.

## PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, January 10th.

The King will open Parliament, with ceremony, on the 12th February.

## THE DUKE OF CONNAUGHT'S TOUR.

LONDON, January 10th.

The Duke of Connaught lunched at Buckingham Palace on the eve of his departure for Hongkong.

## RUSSIA.

LONDON, January 10th.

Colonel Andreiff, the chief of police in Lodz, was shot dead in the streets of Lodz yesterday. The patrol volleyed wounding several of the passers by, but the assassin escaped.

The murder of General Pavloff has been court-martialled and hanged. The police in Warsaw have arrested 100 terrorists, and seized 43 Mauser revolvers.

## THE MINISTRY.

LONDON, January 10th.

The *Tribune* announces that Mr. Birrell succeeds Mr. Bryce as Chief Secretary for Ireland, and that Mr. Harcourt will probably succeed Mr. Birrell as President of the Board of Education.

## GERMANY.

LONDON, January 10th.

The German semi-official press is vigorously urging the importance of the colonial issue. The *Nord Deutsche Daily* publishes figures demonstrating the value of the colonies, and especially that of Danzeland.

## THE TRANSVAAL GOLD OUTPUT.

LONDON, January 11th.

The output of gold from the Rand for December amounted to £550,168 which constitutes a record.

## JAPANESE LOANS.

LONDON, January 11th.

The Japanese Conversion loan is expected to be issued shortly.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## THE KOWLOON MURDER.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS,"

January 12th, 1907.

Dear Sir,—The Staff of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., are raising a "Fund" for the children of the late Mr. J. R. Craik, to be held in trust for their benefit; and, as Mr. Craik had many friends outside the Dock who can only be made acquainted of the existence of such a fund through the medium of the Press, we appeal to you to give publicity to the fact; and, at the same time, state that subscriptions will be received by the undersigned. Thanking you, I remain,—Yours truly,

R. H. BAXTER,

Hon. Secretary.

## AMERICAN DIPLOMATIC SCANDAL.

An interesting controversy has been proceeding between President Roosevelt and Mr. Belmont Storer, ex-Ambassador at the Court of Vienna. The latter opened the controversy by addressing an extraordinary letter to President Roosevelt and the members of the Cabinet regarding his dismissal from the diplomatic service. The dismissal of Mr. Storer is supposed to have been due to Mrs. Storer's alleged misdeeds of letters from President Roosevelt to advance the candidacy of Archbishop Ireland for the Cardinals. In his letter Mr. Storer denied the charge, and asserted that Mr. Roosevelt, when Governor of New York, urged him and his wife to use their influence with the Vatican for Archbishop Ireland's promotion, believing that that prelate's patriotism would be of assistance in solving problems connected with the Roman Catholic Church in the Philippines. The President has replied to Mr. Storer in a long printed pamphlet, in which he declares that Mr. Storer is untruthful and disreputable, and that he has suppressed or misstated the facts. The main question at issue, whether the President instructed Mr. Storer to endeavour to secure Archbishop Ireland's elevation to the Cardinals, is flatly denied by the President, who asserts that Mr. Storer and his wife acted entirely without his authority, and that when their actions were brought to his attention he ordered them either to cease their intrigues and pledge themselves not to interfere in Church matters, or Mr. Storer's dismissal from the service would follow. The required pledge not having been given, Mr. Storer was dismissed. Mrs. Storer is reported to have stated in an interview:—"My husband and I created President Roosevelt. It was through me and my influence that Mr. Roosevelt was made Assistant Secretary of the Navy. Mr. Storer and I went to Canton to pay President and Mrs. McKinley a friendly visit, and also to ask for the appointment of Mr. Roosevelt as Assistant Secretary of the Navy. The President told me he would try to make this appointment to please me and he did."

## LOCAL SPORT.

## CRICKET.

**LONGS v. SHORTS.**  
The match on the premier cricket ground on Saturday was between teams representing the Longs and Shorts. The Shorts won by one wicket and 21 runs. Following are the scores and analysis:—

FIRST INNINGS OF LONGS.			
H. E. Stanger, b. Mackay	9		
Capt. Thomson, b. Lewis	20		
H. W. Woodward, run out	24		
W. A. Powell, b. Lewis	0		
N. E. O. Bird, c. Mackay, b. Lewis	1		
A. Muckenzie, b. Mackay	1		
Harry Hancock, b. Dodgson	44		
G. R. Morrell, b. Sercombe Smith	41		
R. B. Battie, not out	17		
C. D. Thomson, c. Pearce, b. Mackay	0		
Com. Montenegro, c. Mackay, b. Sercombe Smith	0		
Extras	9		
Total	171		

BOWLING ANALYSIS.			
Lewis	9	0	35
C. H. Mackay	9.3	0	63
Lt. Dodgson, R.N.	5	2	26
Sercombe Smith	5	1	18

FIRST INNINGS OF SHORTS.			
T. E. Pearce, b. Bird	27		
Capt. Krickbeck, b. Bird	29		
W. C. D. Turner, b. Bird	9		
Major Irving, c. N. E. Bird	9		
Sercombe Smith, b. Stanger-Leathes	35		
C. H. Mackay, not out	13		
Lt. Dodgson, c. N. E. Bird, b. Stanger-Leathes	0		
W. W. H. Jones, b. Stanger-Leathes	19		
Dr. J. Parry, c. Hancock, b. Bird	11		
Extras	16		
Total	192		

BOWLING ANALYSIS.			
R. E. O. Bird	22.1	0	59
Stanger-Leathes	14	1	57
Woodward	6	1	30
G. E. Morrell	2	0	21

## CIVIL SERVICE 2ND XI v. KOWLOON 2ND XI.

Played on the Civil Service ground at Happy Valley on Saturday, this match ended in a win for Kowloon by 38 runs. Scores and analysis are:—

CIVIL SERVICE 2ND XI—first innings.			
Coombs, b. Curwen	9		
Dawson, b. Rose, b. Eile	0		
Adams, c. Eile, b. Curwen	0		
Balcock, c. Sharroff, b. Eile	0		
Tucker, run out	3		
Barton, not out	12		
Chawley, c. Sharroff, b. Goldsmith	5		
Hoggarth, b. Goldsmith	5		
Kelly, b. Goldsmith	4		
Substantia, b. Curwen	4		
Extras	3		
Total	58		

BOWLING ANALYSIS.			
Curwen	9	0	31
Goldsmith	3	1	13
Eile	6	2	9

KOWLOON.			
W. E. Rose, b. Boulton, b. Hoggarth	4		
J. P. Sharroff, b. Balcock	0		
W. Curwen, c. Adams, b. Hoggarth	0		
A. G. Eile, b. Boulton	18		
H. E. Goldsmith, c. Tucker, b. Coombs	10		
H. C. Clements, c. Coles, b. Chawley	9		
C. J. Kitchin, c. Adams, b. Chawley	1		
A. S. Gorman, b. Boulton	1		
E. N. Turner, c. Adams, b. Boulton	7		
J. Spittles, c. Adams, b. Boulton	1		
Lieban, not out	9		
Extras	7		
Total	67		

BOWLING ANALYSIS.			
Hoggarth	6	0	29
Indrook	6	1	13
Chawley	5	1	12
Coombs	4	0	20
Boulton	3.4	0	12
Tucker	3	1	8

## PARADES v. POLICE.

The match played on Saturday between the Parades and the Police, on the latter's ground, resulted in a win for the Parades by 39 runs. The following are the scores and analysis:—

PARADES.			
S. B. Badliwalla, b. Foley	9		
J. J. Vasantha, c. Gordon, b. Foley	41		
F. A. Mehta, run out	15		
F. J. Kanga, b. Shepherd	1		
F. A. Tansara, b. Mackay	8		
J. H. Vasantha, c. Davis, b. Foley	18		
M. Bezanjee, b. Cooper	1		
N. N. Vasantha, b. Foley	0		
S. B. Badliwalla, b. Foley	0		
R. Jeevanjee, b. Foley	1		
Extras	13		
Total	122		

BOWLING ANALYSIS.			
Foley	10.1	0	19
Cooper	4	2	1
Shepherd	3	0	23
Mackay	3	0	28
Davis	2	0	9
McLennan	2	0	7

POLICE.			
Watt, b. Kanga	0		
Davis, b. Kanga	23		
McLennan, c. Mehta	0		
Cooper, c. Vasantha, b. Mehta	7		
Withers, run out	14		
Atley, b. Kanga	4		
Foley, b. Kanga	2		
Parr, c. Mehta, b. Vasantha	6		
Shepherd, b. Vasantha	3		
Mackay, c. b. Vasantha	0		
Gordon, not out	0		
Extras	19		
Total	83		

BOWLING ANALYSIS.			
Kanga	9	1	23
Mehta	5	0	36
Vasantha	3	0	10

## H.K.C.C. "A" v. CHAIFENGPOWER.

This league match, played at the Happy Valley on Saturday, ended in a win for the Hongkong Reserves by 7 runs. The Reserves batted first and scored 82, of which Taylor made a very useful 19 and Moore 14. Chai-feng-power followed with a total of 75, Bass contributing 17 and Brown 14. The match would have ended in a draw, as when time was called Chai-feng-power had still a wicket in hand, but, as there was a chance of finishing, Chai-feng-power extended the time, and four more overs were added before the last wicket fell. For the winners the most successful bowlers were Robinson, 4 wickets for 18, and Fowler 3 for 21; and for the losers Brown 3 for 15, and Postonji 5 for 37. Scores:—

HONGKONG "A."			
A. S. Cobden, b. Postonji	4		
S. Moore, b. Postonji	14		
H. Edwards, b. Postonji	5		
Dr. F. H. Kow, b. Brown	5		



## THE MACAO STEAMBOAT SERVICE.

Yesterday the new arrangement of the steamer service between Hongkong and Macao was inaugurated by a successful excursion. The *Sui An*, belagued in honour of the occasion, left the Douglas Wharf at 9 o'clock with a fair complement of passengers. The day was ideal and the excursionists were enabled to spend a pleasant time. Naturally a lively interest was manifested in the steamer itself. Built in 1889 at Shanghai by Messrs. Forth, Brown, and Co. for the Hongkong and Macao Steamship Company, she subsequently passed into the possession of the Hamburg-American Line, but it was found that she was too small for the growing trade on the Yangtze and consequently was sold with her sister ship, the *Sui Tai*, to the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamship Company. Both the *Sui An* and the *Sui Tai* are admirably fitted for the service on which they have now been placed. They have accommodations for 1,200 odd passengers, and both are well equipped with the necessary adjuncts of comfortable travel. They have the usual first, second, and third classes, and each represents a proportionate degree of comfort that will compare favourably with similar steamers. The saloon on each is very cosy, and in other respects the vessels leave little to be desired by the excursionist or the more regular traveller. Their speed is eleven knots, so that the journey to Macao may be calculated to be done in three hours and a half. Passengers will note the absence of vibration on both vessels, and these also were on board yesterday favourably commented on this pleasing feature. On the lower deck ample space is provided for cargo, and large quantities can be carried with very little draught. Five hundred tons deadweight can be carried with draught of eight feet and *Sui Tai* with a draught of six feet. Both ships are fitted with the latest machinery and are manned by experienced crews. They are offered by the company as a means of finding their enterprise suitably rewarded. The use of the Douglas wharf has been obtained for the accommodation of the extra vessels.

## GOLD ROMANCE IN SIBERIA.

NEW COMPANY WOULD 100,000 £1 SHARES ARE WORTH £1,682,500.

One of the most remarkable Stock Exchange "booms" on record is being experienced just now in connection with the development of the mining potentialities of Siberia.

The story centres around the history of the Siberian Proprietary Mines, Limited, which issued its first annual report on Dec. 13th.

The company was incorporated in August, 1905. Its objects were the exploitation of the much-talked-of mining possibilities of Russia's Eastern empire, and if the extraordinary valuation the market has placed on its shares is any criterion, its future is likely to be one of the most sensational in the history of mining.

The company's capital is £100,000 in £1 shares. To-day they are worth £1,682,500.

Comparatively little was heard of its operations until the spring of this year. Then the shares began to advance in value. By October they had risen to over £5 each, and in the past two months this figure has been doubled.

The closing price on December 13th was £16 12s. 6d., a rise of £1 on the previous day.

In the report it is stated that a proposal will be submitted to the shareholders to increase the capital to £135,000. Of this £100,000 £1 shares are to be issued at once to the present shareholders pro rata to their holdings at the extraordinary premium of £1 10s. per share.

It is a long time since an issue on such terms was made. The 50,000 £5 shares issued by the Rio Tinto copper mine last year, when £53 a share was paid, is the nearest approach to it, but it must be remembered that the Rio Tinto Company is an old established business, which for many years past has been paying heavy dividends. So far as dividends are concerned, the Siberian company has to make its history.

But even at the extraordinary premium asked the shares will be below the market valuation, and those who obtain them will have an immediate profit of over £4 per share.

Some suggestion of the possibilities of the future is given in the statement that the H.O. Siberian Exploration, Limited, has guaranteed the issue, the consideration for the guarantee being the right for a period of nine months to subscribe for 6,000 shares or less at £17 10s. for eighteen months at £20, or for twenty-four months to subscribe for 7,000 shares at £25.

The object of the company in issuing new capital is stated to be to enable it to retain a majority in the holding of any subsidiary company without recourse to outside assistance.

So far the company is interested in two subsidiary companies. These are the Orsk Goldfield, Limited, and the Troitzk Goldfield, Limited.

Both companies have issued capital of £500,000 in £1 shares, of which 251,000 shares is held in each by the parent company. These two companies hold rights over large tracts of land in Siberia.

The shares of the two companies are quoted at a premium on the Stock Exchange, the Orsk £1 shares standing at £2 12s. 6d., and the Troitzk at £1 15s., so that the total market value of the holdings of the parent company may be set out as follows—

Orsk 251,000 shares at £2, £502,000.

Troitzk 251,000 shares at £1 15s., £376,500.

It is an interesting fact that the board of directors of the Siberian Proprietary Mines, Limited, includes Lord Knollys and Lord Stanley, while Lord Howe, Lord Armstrong, and Sir Joseph West Ridgeway are to be found among the directors of the subsidiary companies.

We learn with pleasure that the Decoration of the "Dragon Imperial d'Annun" has been bestowed on Monsieur Léon Fleutiaux, the distinguished and sympathetic Receiver Des Postes Françaises à Canton. We join our hearty congratulations to those of his numerous friends, who enjoy much that reward so well deserved.

How to be beautiful—Keep your complexion, Mrs. Ellen's Crème Chamois, Lait Chamois and Special Skin Tonic and Poudre Chamois will enable you to do it. Her Specialties for the Skin are the study of a lifetime. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., Sole Agents, 731

## HAMBURG.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

December 11th.

## NEW RAILWAY STATION.

Hamburg has at last got a central railway station! It was opened on Tuesday the 4th inst. with the ceremony and speeches usual on such occasions, and with a banquet in the town hall given to the railway authorities, architects and others connected with the building of it by the Senate. The most exciting time however was after midnight, when 2,000 workmen commenced establishing connections between the old lines and the new, so as to allow the whole of the traffic to pass through the new station on the following morning. This was successfully carried out and although a few more or less serious delays in the service of the trains occurred next day great credit is due to all engaged in this difficult task. Several derailments and other accidents have, however, occurred since.

About the outside of the building there may be two opinions but the internal arrangement, platforms, entrance-hall, booking offices, restaurants, waiting rooms, &c., seem to be conceived in a practical spirit and are decorated in the quaint style of old German cities. Although the station is one of the largest in the country, fears are already entertained that it will prove too small, particularly when the suburban lines now in course of construction shall be completed; it will be readily understood that, notwithstanding the adjoining town of Altona being the seat of the administration of the railway department of the entire district, the main traffic centres in Hamburg.

## CAUSES OF DELAY.

The reason why a central station has been so long in coming is the situation of the small state of Hamburg in the midst of more powerful neighbours; when about the middle of the last century the first railways were being built, nearly always by private companies, the Duchy of Holstein, then under the King of Denmark, the Grand Duchy of Mecklenburg, and the Kingdom of Hanover hemmed in the republic on all sides, each of them jealously watching its own petty interests with an utter disregard of what might conduce to the development of trade in general. It will hardly be believed that owing to the obstructive policy of the Hanoverian government with regard to the construction of railway bridges across the Elbe, some of the most important lines terminated at Hamburg and that no direct communication by rail existed with Bremen. It was not until after the war in 1866 and the foundation of the North German Confederation, when Prussia annexed Holstein and Hanover that the bridges were built. The erection of a central station in Hamburg was then broached, but as long as the different lines belonged to private companies little progress was made and even after they had, with one exception, become the property of the Prussian state it took many years before a final agreement was concluded between that country and the Republic of Hamburg concerning the general plans, the costs to be borne by each and other details, and it is only now that Hamburg can boast of a station worthy of its position as the second town of the empire and one of the largest shipping ports in the world.

## THE CENSUS.

The annual census of the town of Hamburg was taken on the first of November this time instead of the first of December as usual. In comparing the results it should therefore be remembered that eleven months only are being dealt with. The population, exclusive of the crews of vessels in the harbour, is returned as 844,713, of which 400,724 are males and 443,989 females showing an increase of 21,580, equal to 2.72 per cent since the first of December; of males there are 12,915 or 3.68 per cent more, and of females 8,065 or 2.14 per cent which reduces the disproportion of males to females to 100 to 103.8 or, including the number of men on board ship [which is estimated at 10,080 as against 9,600 returned last year], to 100 to 101.3 per cent. During the eleven months under review the births exceeded the deaths by 8,393, deducting this figure from the total increase of 21,580, as stated above, it leaves 13,187 to be accounted for by arrivals from elsewhere.

## STEADY GROWTH.

Since 1887 when the population of the town stood at 495,273 excluding of the crews of the vessels in the harbour, there has been a steady gain every year ranging from 1.66 per cent in 1904 to 4.77 in 1899, the year Hamburg joined the German customs union; 1902 alone shows a slight diminution of 0.45 per cent due probably to some extent to the visitation of the cholera in the autumn of that year, which for a time gave Hamburg a bad name. Hospitals, asylums and other institutions number 195,402 or 23.09 per cent to 3.96 per cent more than last year whilst inhabited tenements 190,522 show an increase of 7,673 or 4.20 per cent from which it may be concluded that a greater number of families now enjoy the advantages of separate dwellings of their own than last December.

For statistical purposes the board of health in their annual report for the year 1905 assume the population in the middle of that year to have numbered 841,978 in the entire state and 791,462 in the city itself. Of these 18,599 or 2.35 per cent were under the age of twelve months in the town.

Between the ages of 1 and 15

224,063 or 28.31 per cent	1 and 15
220,185 or 27.32 per cent	15 and 30
279,970 or 35.27 per cent	30 and 50
32,213 or 4.97 per cent	50 and 70
16,462 or 2.98 per cent	70 and over

in the country districts the figures were:

185 or 2.31 per cent	under twelve months
21,871 or 31.06 per cent	1 and 15
18,892 or 25.83 per cent	15 and 30
22,477 or 31.02 per cent	30 and 50
3,338 or 4.77 per cent	50 and 70
1,986 or 2.82 per cent	70 and over

Since the ravages of the cholera in 1892 sanitation has made enormous strides in Hamburg, which may now be looked upon as one of the healthiest towns in the world; in 1896 the death rate had already sunk to 17.4 and in 1905 barely reached 15.7 per thousand, the total number being 13,571 of which 12,499 deaths are reported in the town and 1,072 in the country districts; the rate was highest in the month of August when it reached 1.58 and lowest in October viz. 1.11. Tabulated according to age the death rate was under the age of twelve months 188.5 in the state or 190.4 in the town, 169 in the country between 15 and 35 in the state or 4.6 in the town and 5.3 in the country; between the ages of 70 and 80 and again between 60 and 70 the rate increases steadily until it reaches 114.8 after the age of ninety. Tuberculosis is stated to have been accountable for the greatest number of deaths.

Based on the returns of the income tax commissioners the average income per head in the year 1905 is calculated to have been M. 732.18 ranging from M. 322.93 in the district of the Billwärder Ausseebach, chiefly inhabited by the working classes to M. 2,341.60 and M. 3,178.86 in the wealthier ones, but even the smaller figure multiplied by five, which for statistical purposes is assumed to be the mean number of the members of a family, would appear to represent a pretty fair income for a working man. Owing to the continued rise in wages the position of the working classes has steadily improved during the last ten years.

## THE RUSSO-JAPANESE NEGOTIATIONS.

The *Norve Verne* publishes an apparently inspired note on the pending negotiations with Japan which describes them as "proceeding slowly and not without difficulties." The note proceeds—

"It is well known that the Portsmouth Treaty left not a few questions open, and the Japanese Government in discussing these questions displays a great deal of inconsistency and interprets them with extreme latitude. The exacting tendency of the Japanese Government is shown particularly strongly in the negotiations for a fishery convention, in concluding which it behoves the Russian Government redoubtfully to safeguard imperial and private interests on the littoral of the Pacific Ocean. Not a few difficulties are also offered by the commercial treaty, in connection with which the Japanese demand Customs privileges irreconcilable with the interests of our borders.

"Besides the negotiations on these two fundamental points, there is proceeding at the present moment a complicated diplomatic correspondence regarding the question of the acquisition of Port Arthur, the regulations issued in September for the unfranchised private property in Kwang-tung, and the affairs of our fisheries. It must be hoped that the Japanese Government will become convinced of the necessity of a more conciliatory attitude, and then the negotiations will be quickly ended."

The existence of a deadlock, thus authoritatively recognized, has had the natural consequence of intensifying the alarmist campaign in the Press. *The Boston Herald* again insists on the necessity of Russo-American entente regarding Far Eastern affairs which it claims are the only basis for peace. The *London Times* has been destroyed by the Anglo-Japanese Alliance. On the other hand, the *Norve*, in an article which is believed to be inspired by Count Witte, warns Russia against being drawn into another disastrous adventure, urges the necessity of frankly recognizing the preponderant position now held by Japan as the result of Russia's previous blunders, and advocates a more conciliatory attitude. The final recommendation attracts a good deal of attention in view of the diametrically opposite conclusion of the *Norve Verne's* note and the report that Count Witte has been consulted regarding the negotiations by the Tsar. *The Norve Verne* is rather inclined to treat the news liberally provided by Tokyo regarding Japanese armaments as bluff, but takes the opportunity to press for the construction of the Amur railway and to prepare public opinion for an unmerciful Russian annual burden by 15 to 16 million roubles, (£1,500,000 to £1,600,000).

## SAN FRANCISCO PREJUDICE.

A special correspondent of the *Times* wires from San Francisco—The whole agitation against the Japanese here is careless, artificial, and wicked. Coming here with an open mind on the question, and honestly endeavoring to learn the truth, I found that almost every one with whom I talked gave a different explanation of the situation. The truth is that the people here have worked up to a high pitch of excitement by politicians who believed that by raising the Japanese issue they could increase their own popularity. The idea of arguing the exclusion of the Japanese occurred to the Labour Union leaders, who were in control of the municipal government at that time, and they believed that by raising the cry of a Japanese menace to white labour they could gain more votes from the discontented elements, and this belief was justified by the succeeding elections. At the same time, the proprietor of the *San Francisco Chronicle*, who desired to be elected a member of the United States Senate, thought he could further this purpose by supporting the anti-Japanese agitation, and his paper has been leading the agitation ever since. Politicians of various parties, finding that they could not get labour support unless they joined in the anti-Japanese cry, began shouting with the others, until now the people of San Francisco and California have hypnotized themselves into believing that the Japanese are a menace, and are doing their best to extend the agitation to other parts of the Pacific Slope. As an indication of how far the agitation has gone, it may be mentioned that Mr. McKinley, one of the California Congressmen, is quoted in an interview as saying that the people of the coast are being misled by the Japanese and their agents, and that the Japanese are being lured in a thousand ways. They are bearing it well, but naturally some of them are losing their tempers, and assaults on whites by Japanese are becoming more frequent. The situation appears dangerous.

## FRANCE AND THE VATICAN.

## FATAL REPRESENTATIVE EXPELLLED.

Following are some extracts from London papers:—Paris, December 11th.

The Government has entered actively into the fray with the Roman Catholic community in a spirit which betrays little consciousness of strength, but rather of a desire to attract the applause of the extreme anti-Clerical faction. In treating the Papal representative in the fashion usually reserved for Anarchists and other foreign undesirable, the Government has adopted a course which if pursued by Russian officials dealing with the Polish Catholic community would be stigmatised as extremely illiberal.

French opinion, however, appears to regard the Government's action with tolerable equanimity and the moderate journals take great pains to lay the entire responsibility for the present strife on the shoulders of the Vatican statesmen.

Rumours were circulating in the Chamber to-day of the Government's weakening hold on the loyalty of the "Bloss" and it was noticeable that the Ministerial exposé on the foreign relations of the Republic were more applauded by the Centre than by the Extreme Left. However, an interpellation attack on the Russian Government was supported only by the Jaurès group, the other Socialists in mere remaining silent, while the Radicals loudly applauded the Minister's refusal to sit in judgment on the domestic affairs of a friendly allied nation.

Paris, December 11th.

A speech was carried out to-day at the residence of Mgr. Montagnini, the first secretary of the former Papal Nuncio, as a sequel to proceedings instituted by the Public Prosecutor for the seizure against three of the priests who were most prominently concerned in the disturbances which took place during the taking of the inventories, and in regard to whom an inquiry was opened at the time. The speakers were M. Hénion, curé of St. Pierre du Gros Caillou, Abbé Jouin, curé of St. Augustin, and Abbé Jégou, curé of St. Roch. They are charged with contravening Article 35 of the Separation Law, which deals with inciting members of the Church to revolt. When conveying instructions to their congregations from the pulpit on Sunday they added comments and advice which are alleged to have been equivalent to urging the faithful to revolt against the law.

The Public Prosecutor was informed of these facts, and in accordance with instructions in the circular just issued by the Minister of Justice, ordered proceedings to be taken.

Mgr. Montagnini, who, on the departure of the Papal Nuncio, remained in Paris in charge of the Nunciature archives, was regarded by the Public Prosecutor as an accomplice of the three priests, and a search was accordingly ordered. It was carried out by M. Hénion, Special Commissioner, M. Grandjean, Deputy Public Prosecutor of the Republic, and M. Ducass, Examining Magistrate.

M. Montagnini left the Papal Nunciature at five o'clock in a carriage, accompanied by M. Hénion and several policemen, and was conveyed to the headquarters of the detective force. He left Paris this evening. He will be accompanied to the Italian frontier by a special representative of the Government.

When the police appeared at his residence to make the search Mgr. Montagnini protested against the illegality of the proceedings, and asked the officers to return to their superior for fresh instructions. The examining magistrate and M. Hénion replied that their orders were imperative and must be carried out without loss of time. The Papal representative then asked that his protest should be entered in the minutes dealing with the case. His request was complied with, and the search then began. The examining magistrate took possession of a large number of documents, letters, and telegrams, for the most part in Italian, and five boxes of visiting cards. A letter addressed to Cardinal Merry del Val which Monsignor Montagnini had just written was also seized. A trunk in which Monsignor Montagnini's study was found, and the search then began. The examining magistrate took possession of a large number of documents, letters, and telegrams, for the most part in Italian, and five boxes of visiting cards. A letter addressed to Cardinal Merry del Val which Monsignor Montagnini had just written was also seized. A trunk in which Monsignor Montagnini's study was found, and the search then began.

A demand for urgency for a motion brought forward by M. Massabau calling upon the Government to draft an amendment of the law of 1881 was rejected by a show of hands.

Paris, Dec. 11th.

A warrant of expulsion was served upon Monsignor Montagnini late this afternoon.

Paris, Dec. 11th.

The Council of Ministers held at the Elysée to-day approved the proposals of M. Briand, Minister of Public Instruction for ensuring the execution of the Separation Law, and providing for the suppression of pensions and grants and for the immediate liquidation of the property at the disposal of the prebendaries, bishops, and seminarians, and as for the other measures to be taken in the interest of the national security. The Council will on Friday morning draw up a Bill on this subject, which is to be submitted to Parliament immediately. In addition, 5,600 ecclesiastical students will have to furnish certificates endorsed by the recruiting officers under pain after the 20th inst. of being recalled to the colours in January.

Paris, Dec. 11th.

The police have searched the homes of the leaders of the Roman Catholic Party, including that of Count de Mun.

Rome, Dec. 11th.

Great excitement prevails at the Vatican over the news from France, every item of which is eagerly awaited and commented upon.

The Pope, in talking about the situation expressed his grief at the necessity of having recourse to extreme measures which he deemed to be indispensable. "Nothing," he added, "will stop us—neither persecution nor martyrdom—in protecting religion. Our cause is God's cause."

Besides having his usual conference with Cardinal Merry del Val, the Pope to-day saw Cardinal Vincenzo Vannucchi, with whom he discussed the affairs in France. The Pontiff, who appeared calm and resigned, said to the Cardinal that the Holy See declined responsibility for what might happen.

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Rome, Dec. 11th.

Public opinion here is eagerly following to-day's events in France. In the Chamber Signor Mirabelli, a Republican deputy, expressed sympathy with the French Republic and signs of approval.

## CHINA AND AUSTRALIA.

The arrival in Australia of a Commissioner appointed by the Chinese Government is an event of more significance than appears on the surface. Wang Hon Chen, who holds the position of Prefect of the Chinese Legation in London, and is accompanied by an interpreter, Wan Hsiong Hsien, is one of five Commissioners sent to different parts of the world to collect information on various matters affecting Chinese interests. It is stated that since the trouble between China and the United States Government in regard to the restrictive immigration policy of the latter country towards China, a matter that led to the boycott of American goods in the Celestial Empire, the Chinese Emperor, or rather the Empress, has manifested a deep interest in the condition of Chinese overseas residents, especially those in the Commonwealth. Wang Hon Chen has been welcomed with every possible honour by the Chinese in Brisbane and Sydney, and an almost royal reception awaits him in Melbourne. He states that it is probable that Chinese Consulates will be established at Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, and Adelaide, with Vice-Consulates at Thursday Island, Port Darwin, and elsewhere. Practically, China is about to be officially represented in every country in which Chinese are to be found.

One of the main objects of Wang Hon Chen's visit is to confer with the Federal Prime Minister and the members of his Cabinet in relation to the obnoxious restrictions imposed upon Chinese immigration, the Chinese in Victoria complaining bitterly of the industrial laws to which they are subject in that State. It is not likely, however, that the Commonwealth Government will take any action in the matter calculated to give offence to the Liberal party, one of whose objects is the suppression of alien labour of every kind in Australia. It is here where the trouble should lie, as it is here where the Chinese are about to be officially represented in every country in which Chinese are to be found.

People in the Commonwealth have become so accustomed to regarding the Chinese as inferior, that they cannot yet realize the stupendous social and political changes which are taking place in the Chinese Empire. According to Wang Hon Chen, the Chinese are opening their eyes to the necessity for reform and progress. What has been done in Japan during the last few years, he says, is possible also in China. The East is rapidly awakening from the dreamy slumber of centuries. Modern methods, we are told, are gradually superseding the old, and what have been in use for thousands of years, and modern machinery is superseding the manual labour of the workshop and in the field. "We claim," remarked a Chinese merchant, present at the Commissioner's formal reception in Sydney, "to be the equal, not the inferior, of the white man," and the sentiment was enthusiastically endorsed by a couple of Japanese present out of respect to the distinguished visitor.

Wang Hon Chen evidently regards China as the coming country. Already the schools are teaching modern subjects, and the antiquated methods of instruction are rapidly becoming things of the past. In other directions evidence of the newly-awakened spirit are everywhere. It is asserted by the Chinese in Sydney that should the alliance of Japan with Great Britain ever become dissolved it will be followed by that between Japan and China, which, they proudly assert, will become the strongest ever known. At the present moment they are watching with intense interest the disputes between Japan and the United States. A few years hence, they say, there will be no State that dares to treat either Chinese or Japanese children in the fashion adopted by the Californian educational authorities. This is bold speaking, but it illustrates the changing spirit of the Chinese.

At present the great desire of the Chinese Emperor is to frame a constitution on the broadest lines, and those of the Commonwealth and the various States are to be carefully studied. When it is proclaimed it will prove, we are told, one of the great events of the world. But what will be the position of Australia when confronted by the new power? The restrictive legislation insisted upon by the Socialist party has made the name of Australians disliked both in China and in Japan, a dislike which may bear evil fruit in the near future. Already the commercial agent dispatched by the Victorian Government to Japan has reported his inability to promote Australian trading interests in that country, and he is now endeavouring to ascertain what can be done to be indispensable. "Nothing," he added, "will stop us—neither persecution nor martyrdom—in protecting religion. Our cause is God's cause."

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THE STANDARD OF NAVAL STRENGTH.

At the United Service Institution the discussion was resumed on the paper read by

Lieut. Carlyn Bellairs, R.N., M.P., on

"The Standard of Naval Strength" of

Admiral Sir R. H. Harris occupied the chair.

Com. W. C. Cuthbert, R.N., said there

appeared to be an idea that it was possible

to run the British Navy on cheap lines. He

did not think a more pernicious doctrine

could be enunciated. There was a time when

the British flag flew in every sea, and that

was an important national asset, but under

the redistribution scheme that asset seemed in

a fair way of disappearing. It was an easy

matter to withdraw ships and gunboats, but

it might be difficult to restore them without

giving rise to diplomatic complications. He

regretted that at the present time no cruisers were

being laid down in this country. Mr. Beauchamp

said that in battleships alone we were

falling up to the two-Power standard. He

suggested that it would be more efficient

and more economical to have a regular programme

for the building of warships rather than to

build three or four and then to deprive some

of our best artificers of work for a longer or

shorter period, and many of them were gladly

given employment by at least one foreign

Power. Mr. William White remarked that it

was a matter of great public congratulation

that a naval debate should again take

place at that institution. Of late there had

been too great a tendency to suppress

discussion or state one view too strongly.

Proceeding to speak of some of the principal

points in the paper, he remarked that Lieut.

Bellairs had said that to add up the dis-

tinct tonnages of ships in the effective of the

different fleets and compare the total and take

them as measures of relative fighting force

was incorrect. There was, however, a sense

in which displacement tonnage was a fair

measure of comparison. If one naval architect

was working with 14,000 tons and another with

12,000, the former should produce a better

fighting machine than the latter; provided that

the two ships were built at a time when

inventions in relation to war-like material,

too, were at the same point. He emphasized

the importance of the vertical extension

of armour as well as of its longitudinal

extension, and gave instances of foreign

warships, which were weak in the former

in an age of secrecy, when it was considered

that the British public should not know what

armour was carried by a ship. That was a

method of which he did not in the least approve,

and he now favoured during his official

career. He was certain that those who wished

to know did know. There were many things

that should be kept secret, but to speak of the

general dimensions of a ship or particulars of

her armour as secrets, when construction had

begun, was ridiculous. After an exhaustive

review of our shipbuilding programme, he

pointed out that, in regard to new battleships,

we should be in a much stronger position at the

end of 1909 than Germany, France, or the

United States.



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ARMAN HAUPT, Chairman.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1907. 195

## NOTICE.

OWNERS and Consignees of Cargo on board the S.S. "KWONG CHOW" on the 15th September 1906, when she was sunk in the Typhoon of that date are HEREBY INFORMED that the Cargo is being put into junks alongside the S.S. "KWONG CHOW" as she now lies near Lai Chi Kok and Owners and Consignees are hereby required to identify their goods and take delivery of same prior to the 16th instant after which date all undelivered Cargo which is liable will be sold to defray expenses of removal and the remainder will be destroyed.

THE SHIP ON STEAMSHIP CO. LTD., Hongkong, 12th January, 1907. 196

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Courses.—From the Police Pier round Waglan Island (starboard) and back.

Prizes.—A Cup for each class will be presented if four or more boats start.

The Handicap will be published later.

Entries will be received by the Hon. Secretary Yachting Committee up to noon on SATURDAY, the 26th inst. Entrance Fee \$2.

H. P. TOOKER, Hon. Sec. Yachting Committee.

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Hongkong, 14th January, 1907. 199

BOOTHEN MARK LODGE, No. 284.

A REGULAR MEETING of the BOOTHEN MARK LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL TO-DAY (MONDAY), the 14th January, at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 8th January, 1907. 169

## VACANCY.

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Civil Medical Department, Hongkong, 12th January, 1907. 193

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## PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, St. George's Building, No. 6, Connaught Road, on SATURDAY, 26th January, 1907, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1906; declaring a Dividend and electing a Committee of Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 23rd January, until SATURDAY, the 26th January, 1907, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 9th January, 1907. 175

THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Company's Office, Victoria Buildings, on SATURDAY, the 26th January, 1907, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1906.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 18th January, to SATURDAY, the 26th January, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 11th January, 1907. 187

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANION, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE CERTIFICATE No. 1432 for One Share numbered 14, on which the Sum of \$25 has been paid up, standing in the name of JOHN C. BENTON, having been declared LOST, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that unless the said Certificate is produced to the Society on or before the First day of March next, a new Certificate for the said share will be issued by the Society and the old Certificate will thereafter be held as Null and Void.

By Order of the Board of Directors, W. J. SAUNDERS, Secretary.

Hongkong, 4th January, 1907. 148

NOTICES OF FIRMS

BY Order of the Board of Directors I have this Day handed over the Management of the Local Branch of the DEUTSCHE ASIATISCHER BANK to Mr. F. JUNG.

H. BUTER, Manager.

Hongkong, 7th January, 1907. 165

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. ROBERT HUNTER BRUCE in our Firm CEASED on 31st December, 1906.

We have Admitted Mr. WILLIAM WILSON and Mr. RICHARD NIKOLAUS ONLY Partners in our Firm from this Date.

Amoy, 1st January, 1907. 133

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the HARBOR MASTER to sell by Public Auction,

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HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1906. 112

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE, PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS OF SALE OF VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY Situate at Victoria, Hongkong. To be sold by PUBLIC AUCTION On FRIDAY, the 25th day of January, 1907, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at his SALES ROOM, Duddell Street, by Mr. GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

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Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon, To-day.

Goods not cleared by the 18th January will be subject to rent.

All ship-damaged packages must be left in the Godown, and Notice of same sent to this Office before the 21st January, or Claims in connection therewith will not be recognized.

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Hongkong, 11th January, 1907.

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 5 P.M., To-day, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underigned, Goods remaining unclaimed after MONDAY, the 14th Jan., at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 14th Jan., or they will not be recognized. All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 14th Jan., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.  
Hongkong, 7th January, 1907.

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**"SILESIA."**

Captain Bahle, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Underigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before To-day.

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All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 14th Jan. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 14th Jan. at 3 P.M.

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No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 14th January will be subject to rent.

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Hongkong, 7th January, 1907.

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**E. A. HEWETT,**  
Superintendent.  
Hongkong, 10th January, 1907.

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Hongkong, 10th January, 1907.

## SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Erich Georg & Co. say in their weekly share report dated January 13th, 1907:—  
During the week under review our market has shown a little more activity, and a pretty fair business has been in progress in a variety of stocks showing some improvement in prices in several cases. The sterling demand rate of exchange on London closes at 2s. 3d., while rates on Shanghai are: The 721 for a Bank T/V, and Tls. 731 for a three days' sight private bill, the three days' sight rate in Shanghai on this for a private draft being Tls. 731. Barsilver in London is quoted 31½d., and Consols 43½-16-18 ex interest.

**BANK SHARES.**—Being no doubt to a slightly easier money market in London, and the fact of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation in conjunction with the Deutsche Asiatische Bank and the Banque de l'Indo-Chine having negotiated a 4½ per cent. \$1,000,000 loan for £2,000,000, which is to be offered to the public shortly simultaneously in London, Berlin and Paris, shares of this Bank have advanced in London to 227. 10s. 0d., while locally transactions have been effected at 225, 226, 227, 228, and 229, and there are further buyers at 229½. Nationals continue in request at 249.

**MARINE INSURANCE SHARES.**—Unions changed hands at 275 and have further buyers. China Traders are quoted 291 nominal, now that the time for an exchange into Unions has passed. Other stocks under this heading are unchanged.

**THE INSURANCE SHARES.**—Hongkong has improved to 240 sales and buyers, and Chinese to 23½ sales and buyers. Both Companies are expected to issue good reports.

**SHIPPING SHARES.**—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Shares advanced to 81, at which figure rather large quantities have been changing hands. The alterations to the cabin accommodation of the ss. "Heungkang" have retarded a little her being put on the run, and it may be another two or three weeks before she is ready. Indo-China has strengthened again, and after a small sale at 283, shares have been placed at 286, at which rate there are further buyers; the Shanghai rate is Tls. 325, and London quotes 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

**REVENUE SHARES.**—China Sugars sold at rates ranging between 23 and 24, closing with small buyers at 24. Lanzas are unchanged without sales at 21.

**MINING SHARES.**—Raub sold at rates ranging between 24 and 25, and are quiet at latter rate. Chinese Engineering and Mining Company's shares have buyers in the north at Tls. 107, 108, 109.

**DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, &c.**—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks changed hands at 146 to 147, and have buyers now at 147; a sale at 150 for end of March has also been reported. Peniciks, as well as New Amoy Dock Shares, are unchanged. Shanghai Docks changed hands in the north at Tls. 104 to 105, also at Tls. 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200.

**LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.**—Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company Shares found buyers at 109 and 110, and a few more shares could be placed at latter figure. Hongkong Land Reclamation Company's shares continue in demand, but none seem to be obtainable at present rate; Kowloon Lands as well as West Point are unchanged. Hongkong Hotels sold at 112 and 111, closing firm at the higher rate. Humphreys Estate and Finance Company's shares sold at 112 and close in demand at 113. Shanghai Lands have improved in the north to Tls. 101 for old and Tls. 60 for new shares.

**COTTON MILLS.**—Shanghai quotations are:—Ewes Tls. 70, International Tls. 64. Lecon Kung Mow Tls. 103 and Sayaboo Tls. 3½ buyers. Hongkong Cottons are obtainable at 121, although it was heard that the mill is working again with full power.

**SUNBEAM MANUFACTURING COMPANIES.**—China Light and Powers sold at 39 and are wanted. Hongkong Electric has been fixed at 151, and more shares are asked for. Dairy Farms changed hands at 164. Green Island Cement Shares have been done at 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

**MISCELLANEOUS.**—Campbell, Moore & Co.'s Shares are on offer at 33. China Provident sold and have buyers at 24; Langkats have improved in Shanghai to Tls. 242; South China "orning Post Shares can be placed at 224 and Watkins at 221. Other stocks under this heading are unchanged.

**BOER AND BRITON.**

Capetown, Dec. 13th.

The terms of the Letters Patent for the new Constitution have caused some apprehension in Progressive political circles, although in the light of past experience the non-wisdom of at once pressing every sharp issue to a conclusion is recognised.

The Cape Argus strongly criticises the Government for prohibiting the issue of licences for Chinese labour. It declares that this action in repelling the ordinance without giving the people most concerned a voice in the matter is opposed to all British practice. Moreover, it is regarded as being fraught with ruinous industrial consequences to South Africa.

Durban, December 13th.

Commenting on the prohibition of Chinese labour, the Natal Advertiser observes that the third reservation may prevent the free importation of cheap European labour, and characterises it as a "servile class, gratuitously if not deliberately offensive to the whole body of British colonists."

The Mercury declares that it is a very dangerous experiment to treat the Dutch with such great liberality. By making British residents dependent on their good will, the position of the former becomes intolerable.

whites, and if therefore £200 whites at least were directly dependent on the retention of Chinese labour, and would be thrown out of work when these Chinamen were repatriated. The Under-Secretary replied that the official monthly statistics do not give the numbers employed on various mines; but he had no doubt that Mr. Finnes' figures were substantially correct. The general bearing of the Chinese labour experiment on the interests of white labour in the Transvaal was not a subject which could be conveniently dealt with in answer to a question.

**THE FATE OF THE TRANSVAAL.**

The news from the Transvaal to-day is somewhat ominous. Mr. Louis Botha has discarded his habitual attitude of reserve, and has even gone back on his former predictions to the effect that the Boers and no wish to govern the colony. He now announces that the Volks party, and together they hope to be able to form a Ministry. It is a bold statement to make before the elections take place, and it requires little more enthusiasm for our Empire overseas than is supposed to burn in the breast of a Little Englander to make everyone hope devoutly that Mr. Botha's scheme will be frustrated. The British or Progressive Party in the Transvaal might not prove an ideal organization in Utopia. For the moment, however, we are not called upon to legislate for Utopia, but for a very matter-of-fact colony, and whatever may be its shortcomings, the Progressive Party stands unchallenged as the champion of British interests in a British possession. It is difficult to imagine that such a proposal is at all on the part of Mr. Louis Botha will not have its effect in rallying the British population to one standard. In the colony itself there will be no divisions regarding the practical issue of an alliance between the Volks and the National Party. With the best intentions the so-called "Nationalists," who have already figured in a corporate capacity under three distinct titles, could not maintain an "alliance" with the Boers with more success than would attend a similar agreement between a tiger and a sheep. It was their first attempt under the name of "The Responsible Government Association" to negotiate an understanding with the Volks that gave them their death blow in that corporate capacity. For when the terms of the agreement were published, it was found that the association had given away everything it had to give away, even to a few principles, which the Boers had had readily absorbed the gifts, but had made no return. From that date the "Responsible" fell to pieces, but would now seem to have acquired a fresh lease of political life as the "National Party." Even in their new form, however, they are not likely to inspire confidence as trustees of an important heritage for which so much blood and treasure has been sacrificed.—V.C. Daily News.

**"NEW JAPAN."**

The Californians are not the only ones who are disconcerted with the influx of the Japanese into America; for the Japanese are also complaining about it, but their discontent takes the form of regret that there are so few of them there. At the present moment it is interesting to learn from the Year-book issued by Mr. Ito, Japanese Minister in the State of California, and in addition, more than five thousand in San Francisco itself. In the United States there are now about forty thousand Japanese, which is a fair number, considering that the immigration has only been going on for a few years on an extensive scale. But the Japanese on the continent of America are lost in the millions of other races, whereas in Hawaii and the Philippines they are nearly seventy thousand in number, of whom over sixty-seven thousand are in Hawaii alone. This is the real point of danger for the United States. Hawaii lies in the middle of the Pacific Ocean, and the Japanese hold the opinion that they have a better right to the islands than the Americans have. It is instructive to note that one of the leading reviews in Japan publishes with each issue a series of "Notes from New Japan." It might be thought that these Notes referred to Korea or to Northern Manchuria, but that is not the case. Under the title of "New Japan" is designated California, which is always spoken of as a sort of Promised Land for the Japanese. And the irony of the situation is that the first Japanese entered America, to the number of sixty-three, in 1869, on an invitation from the Government at Washington to help colonize the solitude of the far West—Globe.

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PRINZ LUDWIG	WEDNESDAY 27th March
ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY 10th April
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY 24th April
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY 8th May
BAVERN	WEDNESDAY 22nd May
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY 5th June
SCHARNHORST	WEDNESDAY 19th June
BOON	WEDNESDAY 3rd July

ON WEDNESDAY, the 16th day of JANUARY, 1907, at Noon, the Steamship  
"SEYDLITZ," Captain C. Deters, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIALS and  
CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on MONDAY, the 14th Jan. Cargo and  
Specials will be received on Board until 5 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 15th Jan., and Parcels  
will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon, on TUESDAY, the 15th Jan.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than £2.50,  
and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation, and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

Finest can be washed on board.

† Conveying H.M. The King of Siam carrying Second Class Passengers only.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:

	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
TO NAPLES, GENOA and GIBRALTAR	£31 0 0	£22 0 0	£22 0 0
TO SOUTHAMPTON, LONDON, BREMEN AND HAMBURG	£35 0 0	£40 0 0	£24 0 0
return	97 0 0	66 0 0	36 0 0

\* TO NEW YORK VIA SUEZ

	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
VIA NAPLES, GENOA OR GIBRALTAR	£44 0 0	£44 0 0	£26 0 0
return	115 0 0	78 0 0	47 0 0
VIA BREMEN OR SOUTHAMPTON	£88 0 0	£48 0 0	£27 0 0
return	123 0 0	£30 0 0	£49 0 0

\* In the event of the passenger leaving the Mail Steamer at Naples, Genoa or Gibraltair and  
travelling to Bremen or Southampton, overland the same rates to be applied as via NAPLES,  
GENOA or GIBRALTAR, but in this case the cost of the railway trip, etc., to be at passenger's  
expense.

TOUR VIA INDIA:

Passengers have the option of using a Steamer of the British India S. N. Co., from  
SINGAPORE to CALCUTTA instead of an Imperial Mail Steamer from Singapore to Colombo.

The cost of the journey from Calcutta to Colombo by rail or steamer is, however, not included.

† TRANSPORT OF THE VOYAGE IN EGYPT.

Passengers to European and New York are entitled to travel by the N. D. L. Mediterranean  
Steamers from ALEXANDRIA, to Naples or Marseilles instead of using an Imperial Mail Steamer  
from PORT SAID.

# JAPAN-CHINA-AUSTRALIAN LINE.

VIA NEW GUINEA.

FOR MANILA, SIMPSONHAFEN, FRIEDRICH WILHELMSHAFEN,  
HERBERTSHOEHE, MATUPI, BRISBANE, SYDNEY  
AND MELBOURNE.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

STEAMER

SAILING DATES

MANILA 1790 tons ... FRIDAY, 1st Feb.

PRINZ WALDEMAR 3277 tons ... THURSDAY, 23rd Feb.

PRINZ SIGISMUND 3392 tons ... THURSDAY, 28th Mar.

ON FRIDAY, the 1st FEBRUARY, at Noon, the Steamship "MANILA,"

Captain Minson, with Mails, Passengers and Cargo, will leave this Port as above.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

Lines can be washed on board.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:

	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
TO MANILA	£50—	£30—	£24—
TO NEW GUINEA	£28—	£18.10	£14.00
TO BRISBANE	£21—	£12—	£11—
TO SYDNEY	£23—	£12—	£11—
TO MELBOURNE	£24.10	£12.10	£11—
TO YOKOHAMA	£80.00	£60.00	£40.00
TO KOBE	£85.00	£70.00	£50.00
TO YOKOHAMA and back from KOBE to HONGKONG	£140.00	£100.00	

THROUGH RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:

	1st Class
TO EUROPE VIA AUSTRALIA AND COLOMBO by Imperial Mail Steamer	£97 0 0.
TO EUROPE VIA AUSTRALIA AND AMERICA	96 0 0.

From Australia to New York via Vancouver by the J.P.R. Co's steamers or via San  
Francisco by the U. & O.S.S. Co's steamers, and from New York to Europe by the Magnificent  
Express Steamers of N.D.L.

SAILINGS OUTWARDS.

EUROPEAN &amp; AUSTRALIAN SERVICE

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, "GNEISENAU" ... Wednesday, 16th Jan.

KOBE &amp; YOKOHAMA, "PREUSSEN" ... Wednesday, 30th Jan.

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, "PREUSSEN" ... Wednesday, 30th Jan.

KOBE &amp; YOKOHAMA

TRANS-PACIFIC THROUGH TICKETS FROM HONGKONG via Vancouver or San

Francisco to New York by the J.P.R. Co's steamers P.M.S.S. Co., O. &amp; O. S.S. Co.,

T. K. K. and from New York to Europe by the Magnificent Express Steamers of the

Norddeutscher Lloyd are issued at the following Rates:

	1st Class
To London via Plymouth or Southampton	£62 0 0.
To Bremen	63 10 0.
To Paris via Cherbourg	65 0 0.
To Naples, Genoa via Gibraltair	65 0 0.

Passage money payable in local currency at current sight Bank, rate of Exchange on the  
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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to

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# PASSENGER SEASON 1907.

# IN 25 DAYS TO ITALY

BY THE

# MAGNIFICENT N.D.L. LINERS:

"PRINCESS ALICE" 10,911, ON MARCH 13TH.

CAPT. CH. POLACK.

"PRINZ LUDWIG" 10,500, ON MARCH 27TH.

CAPT. VON HINZEE.

CALLING AT NAPLES, GENOA, GIBRALTAR AND  
SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS.

EARLY BOOKING RECOMMENDED.

FOR PARTICULARS, APPLY TO

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AGENTS.

Hongkong, 12th October, 1906.

# CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY. COMPANY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

LUXURY—SPEED—PUNCTUALITY.

THE ONLY LINE THAT MAINTAINS A REGULAR SCHEDULE SERVICE OF UNDER  
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11 DAYS YOKOHAMA to VANCOUVER.  
18 DAYS HONGKONG to VANCOUVER.

R.M.S.	Tons	Proposed Sailings.	(Subject to Alteration).	Leave Hongkong	Arrive Vancouver
"EMPRESS OF CHINA"	6,000	...	THURSDAY, 17th Jan.	...	4th Feb.
"MONTEAGLE"	6,163	...	WEDNESDAY, 23rd Jan.	...	16th Feb.
"EMPRESS OF INDIA"	6,000	...	THURSDAY, 14th Feb.	...	4th Mar.
"ATHENIAN"	3,382	...	WEDNESDAY, 20th Feb.	...	16th Mar.
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN"	6,000	...	THURSDAY, 14th Mar.	...	1st April
"TARTAR"	4,425	...	WEDNESDAY, 27th Mar.	...	20th April

"EMPRESS" Steamers will depart from HONGKONG at 4 P.M.  
Intermediate Steamers at 12 Noon.

THE Quickest route to CANADA, UNITED STATES and EUROPE, calling at  
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Hongkong to London, 1st Class, via St. Lawrence £60; via New York £62.  
Intermediate on Steamers " " £40, " £42.

R.M.S. "MONTEAGLE," "TARTAR" and "ATHENIAN" carry Intermediate  
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Passengers Booked through to all points and AROUND THE WORLD.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval  
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For further information, Maps, Routes, Handbooks, Rates of Freight and Passage, apply to  
D. W. CHADDOCK, General Traffic Agent for China,  
Corner Pedder Street and Praya opposite Blake Pier.

# JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN

REGULAR THREE-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN  
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STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJIPANAS...	JAPAN	Second half of January	JAVA PORTS	Second half of January
TJIBODAS...	JAVA	Second half of January	JAPAN	Second half of January
TJILIWONG...	JAPAN	First half of February	JAVA PORTS	First half of February
TJIMAH...	JAVA	First half of February	JAPAN	First half of February
TJILATJAP...	JAPAN	First half of February	JAVA PORTS	First half of April

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a  
limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands-Indian ports on  
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For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the

HEAD AGENCY OF THE

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## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The *Chienan*, with the German mail of the 15th ultimo, left Singapore on Saturday, the 12th inst., at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Wednesday night, the 16th inst.

FOR	PER	DAY
Macao	Hongkong	Monday, 14th, 1.15 p.m.
Kobe and Moji	Hongkong	Monday, 14th, 3.00 p.m.
Meji, Kobe, Yokohama and Portland	Hongkong	Monday, 14th, 3.00 p.m.
Wei-hai-wei and Chefoo	Hongkong	Monday, 14th, 3.00 p.m.
Singapore and Pangoon	Hongkong	Monday, 14th, 3.00 p.m.
Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok	Hongkong	Monday, 14th, 3.00 p.m.
Swatow and Shanghai	Hongkong	Monday, 14th, 3.00 p.m.

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra postage 10 cents.)

Singapore, Penang and Bombay. Tuesday, 15th, 1.15 p.m. Tuesday, 15th, 3.00 p.m. Tuesday, 15th, 3.00 p.m. Tuesday, 15th, 3.00 p.m. Tuesday, 15th, 3.00 p.m.

EUROPE, &c. INDIA VIA TATTOON. (Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 a.m. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)

Macao, Singapore, Penang and Calcutta. Wednesday, 16th, 3.00 p.m. Wednesday, 16th, 3.00 p.m. Wednesday, 16th, 3.00 p.m. Wednesday, 16th, 3.00 p.m. Wednesday, 16th, 3.00 p.m.

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Manila, Cebu, Zamboanga, Samarang, Sourabaya and Macassar. Saturday, 19th, 3.00 p.m. Saturday, 19th, 3.00 p.m. Saturday, 19th, 3.00 p.m. Saturday, 19th, 3.00 p.m. Saturday, 19th, 3.00 p.m.

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## JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, January 12th.

COMPANY. PAID UP. QUOTATIONS.

Alhambra \$200 \$120

Baikang \$125 \$87 1/2 buyers

National B. of China \$10 \$49 buyers

Bell's Asbestos P. Co. \$125 \$47 sellers

China Borneo Co. \$12 \$10 sellers

China Light &amp; P. Co. \$10 \$10 1/2 sales &amp; buy

China Provident \$10 \$10 1/2 sales &amp; buy

Cotton Mills \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Ewo \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

International \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Lao Kung Mow \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Soychong \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Dairy Farm \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Docks and Wharves \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

H. &amp; K. Wharf &amp; G. \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

H. &amp; W. Dock \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Shanghai Dock \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Shanghai &amp; H. Wharf \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Penwick &amp; Co. Geo. \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Green Island Cement \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Hongkong &amp; C. Gas \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Hongkong Electric \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Hongkong Hotel \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Hongkong Ice Co. \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Hongkong Kowloon C. \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Hongkong S. Waterboat \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Insurance \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Canton \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

China Fire \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

China Trade \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Hongkong Fire \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

North China \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Union \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Yangtze \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Land and Building \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Hongkong Land \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Humphrey's Estate \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Kowloon Land &amp; B. \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Shanghai Land \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

West Point Building \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Mining \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Charbonnages \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Phillipine Co. \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Refineries \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

China Sugar \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Luzon Sugar \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Steamship Companies \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

China and Manila \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Douglas Steamship \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

H. Canton &amp; M. \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Indo-China S.N. Co. \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Shell Transport Co. \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Star Ferry \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Do. Now \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

South China M. Post \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Steam Laundry Co. \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Soychong &amp; Co. \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Campbell, M. &amp; Co. \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Powell &amp; Co. Wm. \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Watkins \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Watson &amp; Co. A.S. \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

United Asbestos \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

Do. Founders \$10 \$10 1/2 sales

VERNON &amp; SMYTH.

## SHIPPING IN PORT.

STEAMERS.

AMOI, British str., 683, H. Plumbek, 14th

December—Amoy 13th Dec., General.

Sunder, Winter &amp; Co.

CHANGCHOW, British str., 1,263, J. W. Walker,

7th Jan.—Saigon 31st Dec., General.

Butterfield &amp; Swire.

CHONGKONG, British str., 1,256, S. J. Payne,

11th Jan.—Saigon 31st Dec., General.

Jardine, Matheson &amp; Co.

CHINA, American str., 3,188, D. E. Friede,

11th Jan.—San Francisco 14th Jan.,

General—P. M. S. S. Co.

DEWENT, British str., 1,569, J. Jenkins, 10th

January—Saigon 31st Dec., General.

Chinese.

ELIZABETH RICKMERS, German str., 997, W.

Rohlf, 20th Dec.—Bangkok 13th Dec.

Rice—Butterfield &amp; Swire.

EMERALD, British str., 1,263, J. W. Walker,

7th Jan.—Saigon 31st Dec., General.

Butterfield &amp; Swire.

ARCHIBALD, British str., 1,263, J. W. Walker,

7th Jan.—Saigon 31st Dec., General.

Butterfield &amp; Swire.

GLENFALLOCH, British str., 1,263, J. W. Walker,

7th Jan.—Saigon 31st Dec., General.

Butterfield &amp; Swire.

HAIKANG, Norwegian str., 1,066, C. Anderson,

3rd Jan.—Chikling 29th Dec., General.

Chinese.

HANGKOW, British str., 999, Marley, 2nd

January—Saigon 31st Dec., General.

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HANGKOW, British str., 1,263, J. W. Walker,

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S.S. "FATSHAN," 2,360 tons, Captain B. Branch.  
S.S. "KINSHAN," 1,995 tons, Captain J. J. Lossius.  
S.S. "HONGSHAN," 1,995 tons, Captain E. D. Thomas.

Departures from Hongkong to Canton daily at 8 a.m. (Sunday excepted), 8 p.m. (Saturday excepted).

Departures from Canton to Hongkong daily at 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. (Sunday excepted). These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin Accommodation.

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## HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "SUAN," 1,651 tons, Captain T. H. Jones.  
S.S. "SUAT," 1,651 tons, Captain G. F. Morrison.

Departures from Hongkong to Macao on week days at 8 a.m. from Douglas Wharf and at 2 p.m. from the Company's Wharf. On SUNDAYS SPECIAL CHEAP EXCURSIONS leaving Hongkong at 8 a.m. from Douglas Wharf and at 2 p.m. from the Company's Wharf.

Departures from Macao to Hongkong on week days at 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. On Sundays at 8 a.m. and 3 p.m.

## CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHAN," 2,195 tons, Captain E. H. Geringer.  
Departures from Canton to Macao on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 7.30 a.m. Departures from Macao to Canton on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 7.30 a.m.

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## CANTON-WUHOH LINE.

S.S. "SAINAM," 588 tons, Captain J. Willcox.  
S.S. "NANNING," 669 tons, Captain A. McKinnon.

One of the above Steamers leaves Canton for Wuohow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at about 8 a.m., and the other leaves Wuohow for Canton on the same days at 8.30 a.m. Round trips take about 5 days. These vessels have Superior Cabin Accommodation and a lighted throughout by electricity.

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